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4-H IN A CHANGING WORLD

During the past $4\frac{1}{2}$ years of war, rural young people in 4-H Clubs helped to meet their Nation's need for greater food and fiber production, and aided in other war programs such as buying and selling war bonds, collecting salvage, etc. With the end of fighting, other new and difficult problems have come to the front. 4-H members and leaders have worked hard to develop plans through which they may help in the solution of these problems and so be just as valuable to their country in peace as in war and before the war.

The result, known as the "10 Guideposts for Use in Building 4-H Club Programs," was adopted by State 4-H Club leaders and 4-H member delegates at the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, December 2-6, 1945. Below are the 10 guideposts:

- I. Developing talents for greater usefulness.
This has been a major aim of 4-H Clubs from their earliest days. Tomorrow's leaders will need skill, knowledge, character--4-H experiences and enterprises will help young people develop these.
- II. Joining with friends for work, fun, and fellowship.
Bring new dignity to the common task through learning to do farm and home jobs better. Help meet problems of social contacts and wholesome recreation for all youth. Build together a faith in spiritual and moral values.
- III. Learning to live in a changing world.
Put current scientific facts into practice on farms - in homes. Study economic facts, world events, public policies.
- IV. Choosing a way to earn a living.
Through variety of 4-H enterprises, explore job possibilities. Decide from facts.
- V. Producing food and fiber for home and market.
Meet dietary needs; market efficiently through acquiring knowledge of market demands and skill in meeting them; increase net income.
- VI. Creating better homes for better living.
Plan for the home with parents; share in making home life happy.
- VII. Conserving Nature's resources for security and happiness.
- VIII. Building health for a strong America.
- IX. Sharing responsibilities for community improvement.
Plan with adults for community improvements for all to enjoy. Render community service.
- X. Serving as citizens in maintaining world peace.
Practice good citizenship in community, State, and Nation. Learn about the cultures, habits, and heritages of all peoples.

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